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RESPONSE TO JANUARY 27, 2003 OFFICE ACTION

(Amendment A)

Sir:

Please enter the following response to the January
27, 2003 Office Action:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

After the Paragraph on page 4 ending with "...the
desired therapeutic application." at line 10, add the
following paragraphs:

Embodiments of the present invention provide a process
for preparing a dehydrated composition comprising disposing
platelets in an oligosaccharide solution for loading an
oligosaccharide from the oligosaccharide solution into the

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